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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2006. This response is being timely filed on or before the due date of December 28, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this response.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments to the claims.